Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was this matter reported to the Commissioner of Police as it was a false statement ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—It is not a false statement. An officer makes an enquiry and submits a report.

President.—Only one Member should stand at a time.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was it an incorrect statement ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Why was it not sent to the Commissioner of Police ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—He did his best and reported what he was able to find out. It was for me to judge. I came to the conclusion that there was no necessity for any further action.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Why was it not reported to the Commissioner ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I said there was no necessity to report it to the Commissioner of Police.

President.—The Director of Public Instruction did not think it necessary.

Attack of small pox.

5. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the total number of attacks and deaths of small-pox in the State this year;

(b) when did the epidemic make its appearance in Ernakulam first this year and the total number of attacks and deaths in the Ernakulam Municipal area; of these the number vaccinated among the attacks and deaths separately;

(c) is it not compulsory that every one living within the Municipal area should be vaccinated;

(d) the total number of vaccinated people in Ernakulam;

(e) what all actions have the Government taken to prevent the spreading of the disease ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) Up to 11th Edavam 1105.

Attacks	3,858.
Deaths	991.

(b) Early in the year.

Up to 13th Mithunam 1105

Attacks	926
Deaths	239

No data to find out the exact number.

(c) No.

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(d) The exact figure is not available.

(e) A campaign of vaccination was set on foot by getting down additional supply of lymph and appointing additional vaccinators. A Sub-Assistant Surgeon was appointed on special duty to attend on the sick in the contagious diseases shed. He was also supervising the work of vaccination. A Sanitary Inspector was also engaged on special duty. Segregation of patients, dis-infection of infected houses and articles, and propaganda work for inducing people to undergo vaccination and for enlightening the public about the methods of prevention were also carried out as far as possible. Further, a campaign of vaccination was also instituted in the suburbs of Ernakulam for the safety of the town.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is not a register kept for the number of vaccinated people ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—There is no register kept of the number of vaccinated people of the Town.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is there not a register to show the number vaccinated ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The total number of vaccinated people in Ernakulam? The Hon'ble Member wanted to know the total number of vaccinated people in Ernakulam. There is no register kept for that purpose. But there is a register to show the number vaccinated every year.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know the number vaccinated this year ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—I have not got the figures. The question was not properly put. The Member wanted to know the total number of vaccinated people in Ernakulam.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What action was taken regarding the protection of people in the villages ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The same process of preventive measures.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What were those measures ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Appointing extra vaccinators and getting down lymph, supplying this to the people, and wherever there was any help needed for absolutely indigent people, such help was given, mainly relying upon vaccination.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know the number vaccinated in the villages during this period ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—As far as I have collected information, I have got the figure to show that 22,907 cases were vaccinated till the end of Makaram 1105. I am speaking of rural areas.

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